

County Court Judge 2008 Election

QUALIFICATIONS: (Article V, Section 8, Constitution of the State of Florida, Florida Statutes 34.021)

1. Registered voter of the State.
2. Resident of Miami-Dade County.
3. No judge shall serve after attaining the age of seventy years except upon temporary assignment or to complete a term, one-half of which he or she has served.
4. Member in good standing of Florida Bar for the preceding five (5) years prior to qualifying.

TYPE OF ELECTION: Nonpartisan

ELECTION AREA: Countywide

TERM: Six (6) years

Reference: Constitution of the State of Florida, Article V, Section 10

SALARY: \$137,020.00 – as of July 1, 2007

Salaries and qualifying fees may be subject to change. The salary quoted is the most recent figure available. The annual salary of the County Court Judge, for the purpose of computing the qualifying fee, shall be based on the salary of such office as of July 1st immediately preceding the first day of qualifying – F.S. 105.031 (3).

ELECTION DATES: August 26, 2008 – Primary
November 4, 2008 – General

QUALIFYING DATES: Noon, Monday, April 28, 2008 thru Noon, Friday, May 2, 2008
F.S. 105.031(1)

A qualifying office may accept and hold qualifying papers submitted not earlier than 14 days prior to the beginning of the qualifying period (April 14, 2008), to be processed and filed during the qualifying period. F.S. 99.061(8)

QUALIFYING REQUIREMENTS, FEES AND FORMS

During the qualifying period, the following must be submitted to the Miami-Dade Elections Department.

Regular Qualifying Method

1. Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository (Form DS-DE 9)
2. Statement of Candidate (Form DS-DE 84) must be filed within 10 days of filing the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository
3. Statement of Candidate for Judicial Office (Form DS-DE 83) must be filed within 10 days of filing the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository
4. Receipt of Handbooks and The Election Law Book (MD-ED 2)
5. Declaration for Candidates Not Automatically Covered by the Miami-Dade Ethical Campaign Practices Ordinance – (optional)
6. Judicial Offices Loyalty Oath (Form DS-DE 26)
7. Financial Disclosure (Form 6, Full and Public Disclosure of Financial Interests) along with any other applicable forms.
8. Qualifying fee, which is 4% of annual salary as of July 1, 2007 or \$5,480.80.

Petition Process Method of Qualifying

1. Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository (Form DS-DE 9).
2. Statement of Candidate (Form DS-DE 84) must be filed within 10 days of filing the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository.
3. Statement of Candidate for Judicial Office (Form DS-DE 83) must be filed within 10 days of filing the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository.
4. Petition forms (Form DS-DE 104) may be obtained from the Miami-Dade Elections Department. Signatures can not be collected until you have announced your candidacy – F.S. 105.035(3). Each signature shall be dated when made and shall be valid for a period of 2 years following such date – F.S. 105.36(2)
5. Receipt of Handbooks and The Election Law Book (MD-ED 2)
6. Declaration for Candidates Not Automatically Covered by the Miami-Dade Ethical Campaign Practices Ordinance – (optional)
7. Judicial Offices Loyalty Oath (Form DS-DE 26)
8. Financial Disclosure (Form 6, Full and Public Disclosure of Financial Interests) along with any other applicable form.
9. Petition signatures of at least 1 % **(10,902)** of the total registered electors (1,090,219) in the geographical area of candidacy prior to noon the 28th day preceding the First day of Qualifying (March 31, 2008). Petition Form (DS-DE 104).

If the candidate is unable to collect the required number of signatures he or she may still qualify by using the regular qualifying method and paying the qualifying fee.

Who Can Sign Petitions:

Any registered elector in the geographical area of candidacy may sign a petition.

Deadline for Submitting Petitions:

No later than Noon, March 31, 2008 – Candidates must submit petitions for verification to the Miami-Dade Elections Department. There is a charge of 10 cents per name fee for verification of signatures, which must be paid upon submission of petitions, or the candidate may file an undue burden oath with the Supervisor of Elections in each County in which petitions are submitted to waive the cost of verification F.S. 99.097 (4).

April 21, 2008, 5 p.m. – Supervisor of Elections must certify the number of valid signatures and submit such certification to the Division of Elections.

Write-in Method

1. Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository (Form DS-DE 9).
2. Statement of Candidate (Form DS-DE 84) must be filed within 10 days of filing the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository.
3. Statement of Candidate for Judicial Office (Form DS-DE 83) must be filed within 10 days of filing the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository.
4. Receipt of Handbooks and The Election Law Book (MD-ED 2)
5. Declaration for Candidates Not Automatically Covered by the Miami-Dade Ethical Campaign Practices Ordinance – (optional)
6. Judicial Office Loyalty Oath (Write-in Candidates) (Form DS-DE 26A)
7. Financial Disclosure (Form 6, Full and Public Disclosure of Financial Interests) along with any other applicable forms (Public officers who have filed financial disclosure with Ethics Commission may file a copy with filing officer at time of qualifying).
8. No qualifying fee required.

A blank space will be provided on the general election ballot for names of write-in candidates.

FORMS

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COUNTY COURT JUDGE

Listed below is a compilation of forms to be used by Candidates and their Campaign Treasurers.

Additional copies may be obtained from the Department of State's website at:

<http://election.dos.state.fl.us/forms/index.shtml>

or the Miami-Dade County Elections Department website at:

http://elections.miamidade.gov/elected_run_for_office.asp

All of the forms may be photocopied.

Opening of Account	
DS-DE 9	Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository for Candidates
DS-DE 83	Statement of Candidate for Judicial Office
DS-DE 84	Statement of Candidate – must be filed within 10 days of filing the DS-DE 9
MD-ED 2	Receipt of Handbooks and the Election Law Book
	Declaration for Candidates Not Automatically Covered by the Miami-Dade Ethical Campaign Practices Ordinance – Optional
Qualifying	
DS-DE 104	Petition signatures of 1% of total registered electors if qualifying by the Petition Method prior to March 31, 2008
	Undue Burden – if can not pay for the verification of the signatures
DS-DE 26	Judicial Offices Loyalty Oath
DS-DE 26A	Judicial Offices Loyalty Oath (Write-In Candidates) – only if applying by the write-in method
CE Form 6	Financial Disclosure for 2006 – Form 6; along with any other forms if applicable
Campaign Reporting	
DS-DE 12	Campaign Treasurer's Report Summary
DS-DE 13	Campaign Treasurer's Report – Itemized Contributions
DS-DE 14	Campaign Treasurer's Report – Itemized Expenditures
DS-DE 94	Campaign Treasurer's Report – Fund Transfers
DS-DE 87	Waiver of Report
DS-DE 86	Request for Return of Contributions
DS-DE 2	Contributions Returned
Termination Reports	
DS-DE 73	Campaign Loans Report
DS-DE 73A	Campaign Loans Report Itemized
Elected Officials – Opening an Office Account	
DS-DE 48	Office Account Report
DS-DE 48A	Office Account Disbursement or Deposit Information

ELECTION CYCLE CALENDAR AND REPORTING DATES

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

COUNTY COURT JUDGE

2008 ELECTION

Reports shall be filed on the 10th day following the end of each calendar quarter from the time the campaign treasurer is appointed, except that, if the 10th day following the end of a calendar quarter occurs on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the report shall be filed on the next following day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. Following the last day of qualifying for office, reports shall be filed on the 32nd, 18th, and 4th days immediately preceding the primary election and on the 46th, 32nd, 18th and 4th days immediately preceding the general election.
(Section 106.07, F.S.).

PRIMARY ELECTIONAugust 26, 2008

GENERAL ELECTION..... November 4, 2008

DUE DATE	REPORT TYPE	REPORT DESCRIPTION	PERIOD COVER	
			FROM	TO
04/10/2007	Q1-07	1 st Quarter for 2007	01/01/2007	03/31/2007
07/10/2007	Q2-07	2 nd Quarter for 2007	04/01/2007	06/30/2007
10/10/2007	Q3-07	3 rd Quarter for 2007	07/01/2007	09/30/2007
01/10/2008	Q4-07	4 th Quarter for 2007	10/01/2007	12/31/2007
04/10/2008	Q1-08	1 st Quarter for 2008	01/01/2008	03/31/2008
07/25/2008	F1-08	32 Days Prior Primary	04/01/2008	07/18/2008
08/08/2008	F2-08	18 Days Prior Primary	07/19/2008	08/01/2008
08/22/2008	F3-08	4 Days Prior Primary	08/02/2008	08/21/2008
09/19/2008	G1-08	46 Days Prior General	08/22/2008	09/12/2008
10/03/2008	G2-08	32 Days Prior General	09/13/2008	09/26/2008
10/17/2008	G3-08	18 Days Prior General	09/27/2008	10/10/2008
10/31/2008	G4-08	4 Days Prior General	10/11/2008	10/30/2008

Only the Candidates going to the General Election need to file the G1-08 through G4-08.

Each candidate shall, within 90 days after having become unopposed, withdrawn his candidacy, been eliminated or elected to office, dispose of funds in his campaign account and file a final report (Section 106.141, F.S.).

Termination Reports

DUE DATE	REPORT TYPE	REPORT DESCRIPTION	PERIOD COVER	
			FROM	TO
07/31/2008	TR-QJ-08	90 Days after May Qualifying	04/01/2008	07/31/2008
11/24/2008	TR-F08	90 Days after Primary Election	08/22/2008	11/24/2008
02/02/2009	TR-G08	90 Days after General Election	10/31/2008	02/02/2009



JUDGES TO BE ELECTED IN 2008

As of February 14, 2008

Justices of the Supreme Court

(7 seats – 6 year term – Retention Vote Only)

	Office on Ballot:	Current Term Expires:
Anstead, Harry Lee	2008	1/5/2009
Wells, Charles T.	2008	1/5/2009

Third District Court of Appeals

(11 seats – 6 year term – Retention Vote Only)

	Office on Ballot:	Current Term Expires:
Cope, Jr., Gerald B.	2008	1/5/2009
Gersten, David M.	2008	1/5/2009
Green, Melvia B.	2008	1/5/2009
Lagoa, Barbara.	2008	1/5/2009
Ramirez, Jr., Juan	2008	1/5/2009
Salter, Vance E.	2008	1/5/2009

Circuit Court Judge

(76 seats – 6 year term)

Group No.		Office on Ballot:	Current Term Expires:
01	Fernandez, Ivan F.	2008	1/5/2009
02	Flores, Mary Barzee	2008	1/5/2009
04	Ward, Diane	2008	1/5/2009
05	Donner, Amy Steele	2008	1/5/2009
06	Esquiroz, Margarita	2008	1/5/2009
07	Rodriguez, Jose M.	2008	1/5/2009
09	Friedman, Ronald M.	2008	1/5/2009
11	Fierro, Eugene J.	2008	1/5/2009
16	Firtel, Leon M.	2008	1/5/2009
17	Trawick, Daryl E.	2008	1/5/2009
18	Gordon, Jon I.	2008	1/5/2009
19	Silver, Roger A.	2008	1/5/2009
23	Lopez, Peter R.	2008	1/5/2009
27	Dresnick, Ronald C.	2008	1/5/2009



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Circuit Court Judge

(76 seats – 6 year term)

Group No.		Office on Ballot:	Current Term Expires:
33	Farina, Joseph P.	2008	1/5/2009
35	Prescott, Orlando A.	2008	1/5/2009
36	Pineiro, Roberto M.	2008	1/5/2009
37	Hardee Muir, Celeste	2008	1/5/2009
38	Glick, Leonard E.	2008	1/5/2009
44	Bagley, Jerald	2008	1/5/2009
46	Zabel, Sarah	2008	1/5/2009
50	Simons, Stuart M.	2008	1/5/2009
51	Chumbley, Douglas J.	2008	1/5/2009
53	Emas, Kevin M.	2008	1/5/2009
54	Wilson, Jr., Thomas S.	2008	1/5/2009
55	Cohen, Jeri Beth	2008	1/5/2009
57	Shapiro, Bernard S.	2008	1/5/2009
58	Schumacher, Marc	2008	1/5/2009
63	Rosinek, Jeffrey	2008	1/5/2009
64	Hogan Scola, Jacqueline	2008	1/5/2009
69	Scola Jr., Robert N.	2008	1/5/2009
70	Karlan, Sandy	2008	1/5/2009
71	Sigler, Victoria S.	2008	1/5/2009
72	Diaz, Reemberto	2008	1/5/2009
75	Tunis, Dava J.	2008	1/5/2009
76	Eig, Spencer	2008	1/5/2009
77	Butchko, Beatrice A.	2008	1/5/2009

County Court Judge

(41 seats – 6 year term)

Group No.		Office on Ballot:	Current Term Expires:
13	Brennan, Victoria R.	2008	1/5/2009
16	Figarola, Rosa C.	2008	1/5/2009
17	Hendon, Eric	2008	1/5/2009
19	Schwartz, Jacqueline	2008	1/5/2009
30	Miranda, Cristina	2008	1/5/2009
36	Saenz, Nuria	2008	1/5/2009
38	Arzola, Antonio	2008	1/5/2009
42	Lindsey, Norma S.	2008	1/5/2009

Justices of the Supreme Court

(7 seats – 6 year term – Retention Vote Only)

	Office on Ballot:	Current Term Expires:
Anstead, Harry Lee	2008	1/5/2009
Bell, Kenneth B.	2010	1/3/2011
Cantero III, Raoul G.	2010	1/3/2011
Lewis, R. Fred	2012	1/7/2013
Pariente, Barbara J.	2012	1/7/2013
Quince, Peggy A.	2012	1/7/2013
Wells, Charles T.	2008	1/5/2009

Third District Court of Appeals

(11 seats – 6 year term – Retention Vote Only)

	Office on Ballot:	Current Term Expires:
Cope, Jr., Gerald B.	2008	1/5/2009
Cortiñas, Angel A.	2012	1/7/2013
Gersten, David M.	2008	1/5/2009
Green, Melvia B.	2008	1/5/2009
Lagoa, Barbara	2008	1/5/2009
Ramirez, Jr., Juan	2008	1/5/2009
Rothenberg, Leslie	2012	1/7/2013
Salter, Vance E.	2008	1/5/2009
Shepherd, Frank A.	2010	1/3/2011
Suarez, Richard J.	2012	1/7/2013
Wells, Linda Ann	2010	1/3/2011

JUDICIAL DIRECTORY

As of February 14, 2007

Circuit Court Judge (76 seats – 6 year term)

Group No.		Office on Ballot:	Current Term Expires:
45	Adrien, Peter	2010	1/3/2011
32	Areces, Barbara	2010	1/3/2011
44	Bagley, Jerald	2008	1/5/2009
28	Bailey, Jennifer D.	2010	1/3/2011
10	Bernstein, Scott M.	2010	1/3/2011
68	Blake, Stanford	2012	1/7/2013
66	Brown, Johill H.	2012	1/7/2013
77	Butchko, Beatrice A.	2008	1/5/2009
22	Cardonne Ely, Gisela	2012	1/7/2013
51	Chumbley, Douglas J.	2008	1/5/2009
55	Cohen, Jeri Beth	2008	1/5/2009
56	Dennis, Maria Espinosa	2012	1/7/2013
72	Diaz, Reemberto	2008	1/5/2009
05	Donner, Amy Steele	2008	1/5/2009
27	Dresnick, Ronald C.	2008	1/5/2009
29	Echarte Jr., Pedro P.	2012	1/7/2013
76	Eig, Spencer	2008	1/5/2009
53	Emas, Kevin M.	2008	1/5/2009
06	Esquiroz, Margarita	2008	1/5/2009
33	Farina, Joseph P.	2008	1/5/2009
01	Fernandez, Ivan F.	2008	1/5/2009
11	Fierro, Eugene J.	2008	1/5/2009
16	Firtel, Leon M.	2008	1/5/2009
02	Flores, Mary Barzee	2008	1/5/2009
34	Freeman, Gill S.	2010	1/3/2011
09	Friedman, Ronald M.	2008	1/5/2009
52	Genden, Michael A.	2010	1/3/2011
13	Gerstein, Norman S.	2010	1/3/2011
24	Glazer, Mindy S.	2012	1/7/2013
38	Glick, Leonard E.	2008	1/5/2009
18	Gordon, Jon I.	2008	1/5/2009
60	Gross, Maynard A.	2012	1/7/2013
37	Hardee Muir, Celeste	2008	1/5/2009
64	Hogan Scola, Jacqueline	2008	1/5/2009
41	Hubbart, Gerald D.	2010	1/3/2011
73	Jimenez, Julio E.	2010	1/3/2011
39	Johnson, William	2010	1/3/2011
70	Karlan, Sandy	2008	1/5/2009
31	Korvick, Maria M.	2012	1/7/2013
21	Kreeger, Judith L.	2010	1/3/2011
48	Lando, Maxine Cohen	2012	1/7/2013
15	Langer, Lester	2012	1/7/2013

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Group No.		Office on Ballot:	Current Term Expires:
49	Leban, Mark King	2012	1/7/2013
14	Lederman, Cindy S.	2012	1/7/2013
61	Leesfield, Ellen L.	2012	1/7/2013
23	Lopez, Peter R.	2008	1/5/2009
78	Manno Schurr, Valerie R.	2012	1/7/2013
79	Marin, Antonio E.	2012	1/7/2013
80	Mendez, Marisa T.	2012	1/7/2013
08	Miller, David C.	2012	1/7/2013
25	Murphy, Dennis J.	2012	1/7/2013
36	Pineiro, Roberto M.	2008	1/5/2009
67	Platzer, Victoria	2012	1/7/2013
35	Prescott, Orlando A.	2008	1/5/2009
65	Reyes, Israel U.	2012	1/7/2013
07	Rodriguez, Jose M.	2008	1/5/2009
30	Rodriguez, Rosa I.	2010	1/3/2011
63	Rosinek, Jeffrey	2008	1/5/2009
47	Rothenberg, Arthur	2012	1/1/2013
74	Sarduy, George A.	2010	1/3/2011
59	Sayfie, Nushin Ghofrany	2012	1/3/2011
03	Schlesinger, John C.	2010	1/3/2011
58	Schumacher, Marc	2008	1/5/2009
42	Schwartz, Lawrence A. "Larry"	2012	1/7/2013
69	Scola Jr., Robert N.	2008	1/5/2009
57	Shapiro, Bernard S.	2008	1/5/2009
62	Siegel, Paul	2010	1/3/2011
71	Sigler, Victoria S.	2008	1/5/2009
19	Silver, Roger A.	2008	1/5/2009
26	Silverman, Scott J.	2010	1/3/2011
50	Simons, Stuart M.	2008	1/5/2009
12	Soto, Bertila	2010	1/3/2011
40	Thomas, William L.	2010	1/3/2011
17	Trawick, Daryl E.	2008	1/5/2009
75	Tunis, Dava J.	2008	1/5/2009
43	Venzer, Ellen Sue	2012	1/7/2013
04	Ward, Diane	2008	1/5/2009
54	Wilson, Jr., Thomas S.	2008	1/5/2009
20	John W. Thornton	2010	1/3/2011
46	Zabel, Sarah	2008	1/5/2009

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Group No.		Office on Ballot:	Current Term Expires:
38	Arzola, Antonio	2008	1/5/2009
20	Bloom, Beth	2010	1/3/2011
40	Cohn, Don S.	2012	1/7/2013
13	Brennan, Victoria R.	2008	1/5/2009
09	Del Pino, Victoria	2012	1/7/2013
04	Faber, Robin	2012	1/7/2013
43	Fernandez, Jose L.	2012	1/7/2013
16	Figarola, Rosa C.	2008	1/5/2009
02	Francis, Mary Jo	2012	1/7/2013
25	Gayles, Darrin P.	2012	1/7/2013
14	Gonzalez-Meyer, Gloria	2012	1/7/2013
35	Graham, Wendell Mitchell	2010	1/3/2011
21	Hague, Andrew S.	2012	1/7/2013
17	Hendon, Eric	2008	1/5/2009
24	Karan, Amy	2010	1/3/2011
23	Kelly, Carroll	2010	1/3/2011
41	King, Lawrence D.	2012	1/7/2013
08	Kravitz, Shelley J.	2012	1/7/2013
06	Krieger-Martin, Luise	2012	1/7/2013
29	Lehr, Myriam	2012	1/7/2013
12	Leifman, Steve	2012	1/7/2013
42	Lindsey, Norma S.	2008	1/5/2009
01	Marino-Pedraza, Patricia	2012	1/7/2013
39	Miller, Bronwyn C.	2012	1/7/2013
11	Mills-Francis, Karen	2012	1/7/2013
30	Miranda, Cristina	2008	1/5/2009
07	Newman, Edward	2010	1/3/2011
26	Ortiz, Maria D.	2012	1/7/2013
10	Pando, Ana Maria	2012	1/7/2013
28	Pooler, Catherine M.	2012	1/7/2013
37	Pozo Revilla, Ada	2010	1/3/2011
15	Rubenstein, Judith	2010	1/3/2011
36	Saenz, Nuria	2008	1/5/2009
34	Vacant	2010	1/3/2011
32	Schwartz, Caryn Canner	2012	1/7/2013
19	Schwartz, Jacqueline	2008	1/5/2009
27	Schwartz, Sheldon R.	2012	1/7/2013
05	Seraphin, Fred	2010	1/3/2011
03	Slom, Samuel Joseph	2012	1/7/2013
22	Stein, Linda Singer	2012	1/7/2013
33	Thomas, Teretha Lundy	2012	1/7/2013
31	Walsh, Lisa	2010	1/3/2011
18	White-Labora, Deborah	2012	1/7/2013